

50 CENTS  
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# \$10,000 DOLLAR STOCK OF NEW MERCHANDISE

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To be Sold for a Few Days at 50 Cents on the Dollar

**THIS IS NOT A BANKRUPT SALE--**Being Unable to secure a store in Portland we have decided to open a high class ladies' cloak and suit store in Astoria. As the building will have to be entirely remodeled we wish to dispose of our present stock immediately. This stock consists of high grade ladies' wearing apparel, such as

**Skirts, Waists, Coats, Corsets, Hosiery, Underwear and Fancy Goods**

These Goods are all New and Desirable and this offer only holds good for a short time

75c Elbow Length Lace Gloves, per pair	25c	\$10.00 Long Cravenette Coats	\$3.95	\$6.50 Silk Waists	\$3.25
25c White Wash Belts, each	9c	15.00 Long Coats	6.75	1.00 Wash Waists	.45
50c White Wash Belts, each	25c	2.00 Corsets, per pair	.95	2.00 White Lawn Waists	.95
75c Fancy Neckwear	25c	5.00 Wool Dress Skirts	2.50	10.00 Silk Petticoats	5.00
25c Box Writing Paper	9c	6.00 Wool Dress Skirts	2.75	2.00 Black Mercerized Skirts	.95

The above gives you only a faint idea of the many unusual opportunities for saving money. We know that we are pretty far up the street but it would pay you to walk miles instead of blocks to secure such bargains as these.

DON'T DELAY—As above stated this sale will positively last only a short time, then the store will be closed and remodeled.

**LOOK FOR THE BIG BANNERS**

**384 Commercial Street, Two Doors West of Ninth Street**

In the Store formerly occupied by Central Drug Store--Next door to Lukinen & Morrison.

**Salesladies Wanted Who Speak the Finnish Language.**

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The only jar that actually seals. Absolutely Air-tight, No Rubber Ring, Wide Mouth, Sanitary

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- SO EASY TO CLEANSE
- SO SANITARY AND
- SO ECONOMICAL

PRESERVES EVERY KNOWN ARTICLE OF FOOD—VEGETABLES, FRUITS, MEATS, GAME, FISH, JAMS, JELLIES, SOUPS IN FACT, KEEP EVERYTHING SWEET AND SOUND FOR YEARS.

OTHER JARS DEPEND ON A RUBBER RING TO KEEP OUT THE AIR—THE ECONOMY SEALS ITSELF AND IS GUARANTEED TO BE ABSOLUTELY AIR-TIGHT.

JELLY GLASSES

WE HAVE THEM JUST WHAT YOU WANT IN ¼ AND ½ PINTS.

**The Foard & Stokes Hardware Co.**  
Incorporated  
Successors to Foard & Stokes Co.

## Wit and Humor

"PRIVATE" JOHN ALLEN.



conspicuous vocation of the law. The memory of his stories and humor still survives in the national capital, where few men have been more popular.

The story of the way Allen got his title of "Private" is still worth telling, though the incident happened over twenty years ago. It was when he first ran for congress. His opponent was a General Tucker, and the two campaigned together. The general at one meeting told the crowd how he had saved their town during the war and grew particularly eloquent in describing his sleeping in a tent the night before the battle.

Allen, who was not within a hundred miles of that battle, rejoined in his inimitable manner:

Friends and Fellow Citizens—It's all true what General Tucker told you about his sleeping in his tent that night before the battle. I know all about it, for I was guarding that tent all night long in the cold and wet on picket. And now I just want to say to all of you who were generals in the war and slept at nights in your guarded tents, like General Tucker, you vote for him. But all you fellows that guarded the general's tents in the wet and cold, like me, you vote for Private Allen.

That speech gained Allen his sobriquet and his election at one and the same time.

One of Mr. Allen's most famous speeches in congress was delivered in the summer of 1896, when Speaker Reed and Major McKinley were both candidates for the Republican presidential nomination and as a consequence were saying little on public questions.

Allen began by stating that there had been considerable comment in the newspapers respecting the somewhat unusual silence which had characterized him in this session. "But, Mr. Speaker," he continued, "there has been little in this session of congress to inspire a Christian man to be loquacious. I am not the only one who has been silent in these days. There are many of us leaders who are not talking much lately."

Mr. Allen said the Republicans were

eventually going to discuss the same candidate a man who had the qualities for which the colonel of a cavalry regiment selected animals for his troops. "He must turn quick and go fast."

On a later occasion Allen had difficulty in securing recognition. When he finally got the floor, he said in a deeply injured tone:

"There is an evident disposition on the part of somebody to suppress my impassioned oratory. I wish to assure the speaker and the house that it is not my purpose, and I have no desire by my fervid and persuasive eloquence to overpersuade this house into the adoption of any unconstitutional or hurtful measure. Sir, I would scorn to take any such advantage of the weakness of the house."

One of the most amusing speeches "Private" Allen ever made in the house was in support of the bill to tax oleomargarine. Representative Tillman of South Carolina, brother of Senator Ben Tillman, had claimed that oleo is superior to many brands of butter and that it was an injustice to the poor man to prevent his buying it. In reply Allen told a story of an old negro who had eaten a box of axle grease, thinking it cheese. Upon being asked how he liked it the old man replied: "Fo' God, boss, dat was de ransomest cheese I eber has eat yet."

"Now, Mr. Chairman," commented Allen, "I have no doubt that if a proposition were pending here to prevent the sale of axle grease for cheese the gentleman from South Carolina would deliver us a scientific lecture and try to persuade us it was much better and more wholesome than cheese and that it would be a great outrage on the laboring man to suppress the fraud."

At a banquet given by a millionaire senator one evening Allen hesitated as he was entering the magnificent dining room and then remarked to his partner:

"My dear young lady, let us pause a moment or two. I doubt if I can restrain my feelings."

There seemed to be trouble on his face, and the lady said:

"Why, Mr. Allen, what is the matter with you?"

"I am sad," was his reply.

"For what reason?"

"Oh, it makes me sad to look at this room. It reminds me so much of my own dining room at Tupelo."

Those who knew poor Allen's financial circumstances could appreciate the point of his joke.

A man's hair usually turns gray five years sooner than a woman's.

The quickest acting poison is prussic acid. It causes almost instantaneous death.

## BATTERIES

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Sole Agents for

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Salmon Twine  
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Hardware, Iron, Steel and Ship Chandlery. Pipe and Pipe Fittings, Brass Goods, Paints, Oils, Glass and Hardwood

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A Complete Line of Fishing, Cannery  
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